Docket No. 12049-0015

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Atsuro ISEDA et al.

Serial No.: to be assigned

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For: AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEEL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD

THEREOF

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the fees and issuance the first official action, please amend the above-captioned application as follows: